CHRISTIAN CARE

2023 Quarterly Newsletter: Oct-Nov-Dec



October 29 Pancake Breakfast

November 28 Giving Tuesday

December 16 Frigid Feet

<u>February</u> Have a Heart for the Homeless Luncheon

WHEN YOU BUILD BRIDGES,



THIS SEASON, JOIN OUR BRIDGE BUILDERS COMMUNITY STRIVING TO HELP US "BUILD BRIDGES" FOR THOSE EXPERIENCING

HOMELESSNESS.



WILL YOU GIVE

TODAY?

HELP MAKE HOLIDAY MEMORIES

There's a chill in the air:

When you close your eyes, what do you see? Is it the anticipated weather changes, family & friends huddling around the fire with a blanket, or a frosty morning where you can see your breath. What memories does this invoke for you? Happy moments or survival? For those experiencing homelessness, the latter is true.

This year, we want to help those in need have a more joyful holiday. Will you help us make this holiday season a memory of joy for those staying at Christian Care?

HOW CAN YOU HELP THIS HOLIDAY SEASON?

- Sign up to bring & serve a meal
- Make an in-kind donation of hats, coats & gloves
- Be a Secret Santa & provide gift cards for our

Resident Christmas Party



<u>PANCAKE BREAKFAST</u>

HOSTED BY THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS Sunday, October 29, 2023



8am-11am Our Lady of Guadalupe

800 17th Street

Silvis, IL Purchase tickets at the door or online at ChristianCareQC.org.



New Team Members





Heidi Smith Client Advocate



Richard Spencer Street Outreach Services

Dashawn Dixon

Client Advocate



Angie Timm Office-Finance Manager

good luck



Farewell to De'Andre Robinson who has been an integral part of Christian Care for several years. De'Andre started as a Client Advocate and successfully helped get our Street Outreach Program running successfully! Thank You for being a part of our mission. We wish you the best!



"Step Into the Shoes of the Unsheltered." We will walk 2 miles rain or shine to experience what many in our community go through just to meet basic needs.

Tickets \$25 Includes T-shirt, soup & sandwich. Link coming soon!





For making our DONOR PICNIC at Sunset Park this year a great success!



thank

#GI VING TUESDAY



"If you can't feed 100. then feed just one." -Mother Teresa-

Every year, we provide almost 40,000 meals for our community. Join us for Giving Tuesday this year & help us "feed just one." More to come... Martha's House allowed me to stay sober in a safe place while I got back on my feet. I'm on track to complete the Drug Court Program in 12 months, and I couldn't have done it without a place to stay. Someday I hope to work at Martha's House myself because I want to help other residents in the same way I've been helped. I'm sober, working, driving, stably housed, and getting right with my family.

"I first stayed at Christian Care when I was lost in so many ways. I completed the program with the help of management and staff. I'm in church now, have friends, and have an awesome job. I thank God and Christian Care for the help and support. "







Thanks to Christian Care and Martha's House, I was able to get my own apartment. I want to say I am very appreciative I was given the help I needed to become independent. I liked being able to help around the shelter because it kept me busy and now, I am better prepared to take care of my own place myself. Thank you for the food care package and supplies you sent with me. It's great. Yeah, things are going great!

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UPCOMING PROJECTS

Through the generosity of grant funding, we have some HUGE projects in the works. Both shelters will be receiving generators to ensure critical operations continue during bad weather.

Our meal site will be receiving a new sanitizer-dishwasher.

The Rescue Mission will also be installing hand dryers for our restrooms.



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"If you're going to live, leave a legacy. Make a mark on the world that can't be erased." — Maya Angelou

A gift with a Lasting Impact

Often a financial gift given directly to Christian Care can forever continue your desire to help those experiencing homelessness. it may be a gift in your will, a gift of real estate, life insurance, or even the minimum distribution from your IRA. Let these gifts be an everlasting commitment to your solidarity with those who find themselves in difficult situations. If you wish to talk further about this kind of impactful gift, please contact Frank Roe, Executive Director at (309) 786-5734 or froe@christiancareqc.org.

Holiday Meals

What's the first thing you think about the holidays? If you're like most, you probably think of food! Big family gatherings & food galore! There are many in our own community who, for various reasons, don't have the experience of a huge feast or warm home atmosphere. If you would like to help & get involved, come join us as we share a festive meal with those in need. If that doesn't work, we would appreciate homemade holiday pies & cookies. If Interested, please call Angie Timm at (309) 786-5734 or email atimm@ChristianCareQC.org.



